

PRICE ONE CENT.

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JEFFRIES A SURE WINNER, SAYS FITZ.

Lanky Bob, Who Has Fought Both Corbett and the Champion, Says Boilermaker Can't Lose.

HAS TAKEN JEFF IN CHARGE.

Thinks that Corbett May Stick It Out for Fifteen Rounds, but Is Sure the Title Will Not Change Hands this Time.

Bob Fitzsimmons, who has held more championship titles than any man living, picks Jim Jeffries as the winner in the coming fight between the boilermaker and ex-champion Jim Corbett.

Fitz says that no one has a better right to forecast the result than he. He has whipped one of the men and been whipped by the other twice. This he says should put him right in line as a prophet and he can see the fight going all one way.

Fitz, when he looks back carefully, can feel some of the licks and jolts that Corbett rained upon him out at Carson City before he landed the solar plexus that took the title away from "Gentleman Jim."

Fitz does not have to tax his memory half so hard, however, in order to remember the blows that Mr. Jeffries delivered. In fact they are still pretty fresh, and when he counts up all the blows he can remember he thinks that Jeff's were the most serious and therefore thinks that the title will not change hands this time.

Another thing, Fitz has been boxing with the champion for some time recently, and will train him for the coming fight. He thinks that Jeff is even better than he was when he met him at "Frisco and lost the title to the championship in the eleventh round. He is fully 100 per cent. better now than he was then, and Fitz does not see how his fellow can lose.

Fitz will lose no time in starting to work to help Trainer Delaney with the champion and get him in trim for the go. For months he has been giving him the advantage of all he himself knew about ring generalship—and no one ever put the fact that Bob was the best general that ever lived. He has coached Jeff carefully in every move and the big fellow is a shifty boxer and is to use his head as well as his hands in the ring.

He disputes the claim that the champion has been dissipating and says that it will take but little work to get Jeff in the best of physical condition.

Here is what Fitz himself says about it:

"I feel sure Jeff will beat Corbett when they meet this time. I don't think the battle will go as long as their first fight did. My reason for saying so is on account of the wonderful improvement which Jeffries has shown

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SCHMITTBERGER MADE INSPECTOR

Summoned to Police Headquarters by Commissioner Greene at 4 o'clock This Afternoon to Be Sworn In.

TITUS WAS APPOINTED, TOO.

Schmittberger Is Assigned to the "Red Light" District and Titus to the Bronx, Thus Ending a Long Suspense.

Commissioner Greene has appointed Capt. Schmittberger and Titus to the two vacant inspectorships that he has had at his disposal for some time.

Gen. Greene sent word to the precincts commanded by the two captains that he wanted them to appear before him at Police Headquarters at 4 o'clock to be sworn in.

Commissioner Greene will assign Schmittberger to the First Inspection District, which includes the Red Light District, for whose maladministration Inspector Cross is under charges. Inspector Titus will be assigned to the Sixth Inspection District, which takes in part of the Bronx.

"What have you to say?" Schmittberger was asked by an Evening World reporter, "of all the reports about you recently with regard to your promotion to the office of inspector?"

"All that I have to say has been said," was his answer, "and I want the whole matter to drop now. I have always done my duty, and I shall continue to do it."

"I'm going right home to tell my wife the good news," Titus remarked.

"I can't," said Schmittberger. "My wife is very ill."

"Go home anyway," said Titus, "and tell her. It will make her better."

In a statement issued by Commissioner Greene regarding the appointment of Schmittberger, he said:

"In view of the nature and extent of the immunity promised Inspector Schmittberger at the time he testified before the Lexow committee, I could take no cognizance of what had occurred in his life before that time. I could only consider what he did during the last four years had been a service to the city, and he was entitled to the promotion. As late as last night I went to the Grand Central Station to ask District-Attorney Jerome if he had anything against Schmittberger, and he said he had not. President Roosevelt did not control me in making the appointment."

At the conference of inspectors at Headquarters this afternoon it was decided that all captains return by March 11 full lists of all Rialto law hotels in their respective precincts.

NAPHTHA BARREL BLEW UP.

Neighborhood Was Shaken, but Little Damage Resulted.

The stop-cock on the tank of an automobile in the repair shop of Banker Bros. & Co., No. 50 West Forty-third street, burst this afternoon, the gasoline splattered on a stove, and the resulting explosion set off a barrel of the fluid close by. The explosion shook the neighborhood, but did little damage before the fire was extinguished.

WEATHER FORECAST.

Forecast for the thirty-six hours ending at 8 P. M. Tuesday for New York City and vicinity: Fair to-night and Tuesday; light variable winds.

The Quintessence of Elegance.

Passengers to Chicago and St. Louis via the Pennsylvania Limited travel with the comforts of Kings.

BATTLE FOR MILLIONS IN COTTON DEAL

Theodore H. Price, Who Failed Three Years Ago, Again a Dominating Figure in Big Transactions.

CLASHES WITH D. J. SULLY.

Providence Man Moves to New York and Tries to Force Cotton to 15 Cents, While Price Is Unloading.

On the floor of the Cotton Exchange is being waged these days a battle of millions that threatens a financial crash extending around the world if the calculations of the men interested happen to go wrong. Analogous conditions prevail in this battle and one of the leaders in it is Theodore H. Price, who failed three years ago for \$16,000,000, but is again a power in the cotton market.

Price Reaches Record.

March cotton touched 12 1/2 cents this afternoon, an advance of 10 points over Saturday's close. This price establishes a record, being 3 points higher than any quotation for March cotton in the history of the Exchange. May cotton sold up to 19 1/4, an advance of 6 points over Saturday's close. Through the day it is estimated that 10,000 bales were bought by the bull clique.

The failure of Theodore Price was due to his bull-like proclivities. He went down to defeat trying to boost the price of cotton. To-day he is found on the other side of the market, a persistent and resourceful bear. Arrived against him directly is Daniel J. Sully, of Providence, R. I., who is bulling the local market and stands to win \$12,000,000 if events justify his judgment. Indirectly associated with Mr. Sully in the bull movement are Stephen M. Weld, Ralli Brothers, of Alexandria, Egypt, said to be the greatest commercial house in the world, and a syndicate of New Orleans brokers.

The dominating figures in the local market are Mr. Sully and Mr. Price. Their every move is watched. Millions depend upon their nerve and knowledge. The Cotton Exchange is surcharged with tense excitement and no man knows what minute the crash may come.

Price's Remarkable Rise.

Not the least remarkable feature about this cotton deal is the rehabilitation of Theodore Price. When the firm of Price, McCormick & Co. failed in May, 1900, this young man was left without a dollar. The failure occurred on May 24. On May 28 he was to have married Harriet Eugenia Dyer, daughter of the late Gen. Alexander B. Dyer, U. S. A.

It was to have been a church wedding. Ushers and bridesmaids had been chosen and rehearsals for the ceremony had been held. On the evening of that day the failure of Mr. Price called upon his fiancée.

"I'm a ruined man, with debts of

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T. H. PRICE, WHO AGAIN LEADS COTTON MARKET, AND WOMAN HE WEDDED AFTER HE FAILED FOR \$16,000,000.



THEODORE H. PRICE

State Chairman Allee, Who Was Favored by Addicks, Chosen for Long Term Senator, Congressman Ball Short Term.

(Special to The Evening World.)

DOVER, Del., March 2.—The Delaware Legislature this afternoon ended the Senatorial deadlock by selecting State Senator J. Frank Allen (union Republican) to the long term, which expires in 1907, and Congressman Louis Heller Ball (regular Republican) to the short term, which ends in 1905.

The regulars in caucus at the Hotel Richardson at 1 1/2 nominated Congressman Ball as their candidate by a vote of 7 to 1, the single ballot being cast for

ex-Senator Anthony Higgins. The union Republicans had previously nominated Allee.

As J. Edward Addicks favored Allee, and the deadlock was broken on a combination proposed by Addicks, the latter cannot hardly be regarded as a defeated man. As a matter of fact, he is regarded as one of the winners in the affair, even though he did not retain the Senate.

James Frank Allee was born in Dover forty-six years ago. His father was a jeweler and watchmaker, and from him Mr. Allee learned the trade, and afterward succeeded him in the business, which he still conducts in Dover.

After the appearance of J. Edward Addicks in Delaware politics in 1888, Mr. Allee became actively interested in political matters and closely associated with the Addicks wing of the Republican party. He was elected to the State Senate on the Union Republican ticket in 1898 and 1902, each time overcoming the opposition of Democratic and regular Republican candidates.

Mr. Allee is also associated in business with Mr. Addicks and is President of the Bay State Gas Company, of Delaware, and the Staten Island Brick Company.

LIVE WIRE KILLED HIM.

Laborer Is Shocked to Death at Highbridge.

Bistillo Demanio, an Italian laborer, while at work at One Hundred and Ninety-sixth street and Fort Washington avenue, this afternoon, was killed by coming in contact with a live electric wire.

100 SOCIETY MEN AND WOMEN TO TESTIFY IN BURDICK MURDER

BUFFALO, March 2.—District-Attorney Coatsworth, Chief of Detectives Cusack late this afternoon stated that it would be necessary, in order to probe the clues leading to the capture of the murderer of Edward L. Burdick, to summon one hundred of the leading society men and women of Buffalo. The testimony of these people is expected to lead to the arrest of a mysterious woman who has been seen at social affairs in company of the murdered Burdick.

LATE RESULTS AT NEW ORLEANS.

Fifth Race—Annie Laurette 1, Ruby Ray 2, Sarilla 3.

BURDICK STRUCK DOWN BY WOMAN AND THEN KILLED.

Police Seek Slayer of Rich Merchant in Society Circles and Summon Fashionables, Together with Mother-in-Law and Widow of Victim, to Murder Conference.

Solution of Mystery May Lead to Great Scandal Involving Many Notables and City, Horrified, Awaits Revelations—Third Degree for Women Servants.

(Special to The Evening World.)

BUFFALO, March 2.—Seldom has this community been so intensely interested in a criminal case as it is in the outcome of the investigation into the murder of E. L. Burdick. In some circles apprehension, amounting almost to terror, prevails, for it is felt by the intimates of the dead man that the discovery of his murderer will bring forth revelations that will have the effect of shrivelling happiness in many homes.

The people at large, aroused by the horror of the crime and the disclosures of nastiness it has developed, are becoming impatient at the lack of results obtained by the police, although it must be said that the work of the law officers has been diligent.

SLAIN BY WOMAN.

The very nature of the crime makes it hard to get at. Every detective and investigator who has worked on the case is convinced that the crime was committed by a woman and that the weapon used was one of the golf sticks hanging in Burdick's den. There is a difference, however, in the deductions drawn by the various detectives from the circumstances.

The theory most commonly accepted is that a woman high in society in Buffalo had been dragged into the divorce proceedings brought by Mrs. Burdick against her husband; that this woman's standing was such as to warrant her in knowing that if her name became known she would be disgraced for life; that she went to Burdick's home by appointment to get him to have her name kept secret, and, failing in her purpose, struck him in a sudden fury of rage with one of the golf sticks; that the first blow stunned him, and as he lay on the couch the woman, with strength born of momentary madness, beat his head to a pulp.

MAY HAVE HAD HELP.

On the other hand there is the opinion that two women or a woman and a man were interested in the murder. Those holding this theory argue that Burdick had a woman come to his house, met her in his den and was caught there by some one interested in the woman or himself, who struck him before he was aware that there was another person in the room besides his companion.

The room in which the crime was committed is a small one and there is little room for the swinging of a golf stick. This leads the detectives to the belief that the person who wielded the club was an expert in the use of it.

THIRD DEGREE FOR GIRLS.

The fear of a big scandal in high life was added to this afternoon when Chief of Detectives Cusack announced that the methods and procedures of a fashionable dancing club of which Mr. and Mrs. Burdick were members will be inquired into.

That the police have a definite clue on which they are working seems borne out late to-day when Police Inspector Martin stated that Katherine Koenig and Margaret Murray, the servant girls in the employ of the Burdick family at No. 101 Ashland avenue and two men who were in the house last Thursday night when Mr. Burdick was murdered would be given the "third degree" to-night.

Inspector Martin said that it was the belief of the police officials that the girls were holding back some valuable information, and it is to get at this that the "third degree" will be worked. The women, the police declare, are now under surveillance.

MRS. BURDICK AND MOTHER QUESTIONED BY POLICE.

BUFFALO, N. Y., March 2.—Mrs. Burdick, wife of E. L. Burdick, who was found brutally murdered at his home in Ashland avenue, and Mrs. Hull, her mother, were examined at considerable length at midnight at police station No. 10, where they were taken upon their return from Canastota, where they had attended the funeral of the slain man.

Mrs. Hull was first questioned in Captain Koenig's office by District-Attorney Coatsworth and Assistant Superintendent of Detectives Cusack. She was interrogated closely as to all the information she could give.

She said she retired before Margaret Murray, one of the servants, came in and knew nothing of what had happened until she was called by the domestic in the morning. She said she heard no sounds in the night, heard nothing of any voice whatever, and awoke in the morning ignorant of any tragedy in the house.

She told of her relations toward Mr. Burdick. She denied positively that they were unfriendly or that they were on hostile terms.

She said she could throw no light on the identity of the murder in the house that night, and emphatically declared that she believed no one in the household had anything to do with the crime or knew of it until morning. She related what she did after being called in the morning.

Widow Answers Police.

Mrs. Burdick was next taken into the Captain's office and questioned at length as to what she could offer to throw light on the possible identity of the murderer.

The police spent two hours questioning the two women, and at the close of the conference at 2 30 A. M. to-day they were driven to a hotel.

District-Attorney Coatsworth said after they had gone:

"We examined Mrs. Hull and Mrs. Burdick for the purpose of completing the examination of all those present in the house on the night the murder occurred and to ascertain from Mrs. Burdick, if possible, who, in her judgment, might have been actuated to commit such a crime."

Society Women Called.

Shortly before noon to-day two women heavily veiled hurried into Chief of Detectives Cusack's office. The carriage drove off immediately without the two women as passengers. When an Evening

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